

Kanine Korner

By Francis X. Lohmann

There are many stories of dogs dying in attempts to save their masters' life. A reversed news item recently crossed my desk involving Mrs. Alice Szabo, 56, of Newark, N.J., who fled her third floor apartment when fire broke out next door. Realizing she had forgotten her dog, Spot, she returned to the building. Flames trapped her on the staircase. Firemen found them both dead, the dog in her arms.

BARKS & YAPS . . . Richard Strauss gave curls snipped from his pet Newfoundland when besieged by stage-door Janes for locks of his own hair . . . His dog helps Scottish forestry worker,

George Lauder, cut wood. How about that?

Pooka, 4-pound Maltese, is the mascot of a Cleveland, Ohio, track team and has his own jacket in the school colors . . . A king size bark to the officers and membership of Obedience Unlimited — a fine dog obedience training club, headquartered in San Gabriel Valley. Many a well trained bow bow has graduated under the club's flag. For further info, call Helene Noffsinger at 339-6117 . . .

IN SAN FRANCISCO, you have an excellent chance of finding your lost dog by telephone dialing L-O-S-T DOG. By so doing, anxious dog lovers get a recorded description of all the dogs that have

been found. So little is done in behalf of the dog-owning public in Los Angeles, the canine capital of the world—and yet, county and city revenue from dog licenses is staggering.

Recommended for your doggie library: "Olbert Orbaan's 'Dogs Against Crime,'" published by John Day Co. and available at any bookstore. Book documents an impressive number of criminal cases in which barking auxiliaries have helped the police in murder cases, major robbery, park patrols, crowd disturbances, tracking and locating missing persons.

IF YOUR dog limps or drags a leg it may be fractured or even broken. Gently tie a muzzle or gauze about his mouth, place him in a stretcher type blanket and rush him to a veterinarian hospital at once . . . Glenn Ford is an avid German Shepherd fancier, FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover favors the Cairn Terrier and other communicaster

Joe Pyne goes for the Doberman Pinscher.

From Jerusalem comes word that dogs are being used to detect opium smugglers. Bloodhounds that have been highly trained are taken into crowds by police officers and released. They are able to sniff out the scent in a crowd. The Bloodhounds stand with their front paws on the suspect's chest, and at times, the dogs will even point his nose at a certain pocket.

BREED OF THE WEEK — Collie . . . The Collie, named possibly from the colley or black faced sheep he guarded in the Scottish Highlands, is one of the oldest shepherd types and undoubtedly appears more often in literature than any other breed.

With his long, heavy coat, mane and frill, his proud carriage and lively gait, he is the perfect symmetrical picture of grace. The Collie's head is long and slender, his eyes almond-shaped and slanting

His ears half raised and turning over to the front. His body is just a trifle longer than he is high and his legs are straight and strong. The tail is carried low with a slightly upward swirl or twist.

The Collie breed gets its start in America about 1880 and his fame quickly spread from coast to coast, setting the lead among working dogs and still number one in his division. The Collie ranges from 50 to 75 pounds and in height 22 to 26 inches.

Listen to Francis X. Lohmann's radio version of Kanine Korner, Monday through Friday at 4:30 p.m. over station KTYM, 1460 kes.

Saturday Film

A 47-minute color film, "Rusty and the Falcon," will be shown at 10:30 a.m. Saturday morning at the Torrance Library, 1345 Post Ave. All children are invited to attend.

LEGISLATIVE OPINION

Brown Act on Secret Meetings Applies to Council Committees

Capitol News Service
SACRAMENTO — Senator Milton Marks (R-San Francisco) has released an opinion on the legislative council which holds the meetings of subcommittees of legislative bodies—including boards of supervisors and city councils—come under the Brown Act requiring open meetings of such bodies.

"Any committee on which officers of a local agency serve in their official capacity as members and which is supported in whole or in part by funds provided by such local agency is subject to the provisions of the Brown Act," the legislative council opinion said. "In the parliamentary sense a committee is a body

of one or more persons appointed or elected by an assembly to consider, or investigate, or take action in regard to certain matters or subjects, or to do all of these things.

"BOTH COMMITTEES and subcommittees are ordinarily composed of members of the body to which they report," it said. "Hence, with reference to subcommittees of boards of supervisors and city councils, the usual composition of such a subcommittee will be members of the board or council.

"This being so, we believe that such subcommittees are constituted of officers of a local agency, serving in their official capacity and that they

are supported at least in part by funds of the local agency and therefore within the scope of the Brown Act."

In the past, the attorney general's office has held that subcommittees which include less than a quorum of the city council or board of supervisors do not come under provisions of the open meeting act.

MARKS SAID he intended to ask the attorney general for an opinion on subcommittee meetings.

"If, by some chance, his opinion is contrary to that of the legislative council, I will introduce legislation to require such subcommittees to be open to the public," Marks said.

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